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February 3, 2006

Honorable Michael A. Telesca United States District Court Judge United States District Court Western District of New York 100 State Street Rochester, New York 14614

Re: Thomas Bernhardi, et al. v. Lowe's Companies, Inc., et al.

Civil Action No.: 03-CV-6372T(F)

Dear Judge Telesca:

As the Court is aware, defendants in the above-referenced action submitted a motion for summary judgment. Following the Local Rule, plaintiffs had calculated their response papers to be due on January 30, 2006 and defendants had informally agreed to a one-week extension through February 6, 2006, by plaintiffs' calculation. It appears that defendants believed that a different briefing schedule applied from a scheduling order which had subsequently been amended.

Therefore, to clarify the date by which plaintiffs' response papers are due, plaintiffs respectfully request through **February 13**, 2006 to submit their papers. Such additional time will allow plaintiffs enough time to fully brief the issues. If this meets with your Honor's approval, a "So Ordered" line is provided at the bottom of this letter for the Court's convenience.

Thank you for your courtesies in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael J. Lingle

cc: Gregory W. Knopp (via facsimile)

SO ORDERED:

S/MICHAEL A. TELESCA

Honorable Michael A. Telesca United States District Court Judge

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